

Willie Ses Trimmin's Up Rates

Money was discussed recently by Bertie the Bat and Willie the Wise Owl, Collegeville's commentators. According to Bertie, the ever popular topic of conversation was aired as follows:

Bertie, ses Willie, can you tell me how a college education is like the plays of Shakespeare? I give up, I ses, how is a college education like the plays of Shakespeare?



Well, he ses, they have the same relationship that everything else in this world have. They have certain things that are absolutely necessary, and certain things that are just trimmings. If we were filosofers, we would say that they have essentials and accidentals. But we are not filosofers.

No, I ses, we are not filosofers. In fact we cannot even spell the word. But to put it bluntly, I ses, so what.

I was reading, ses Willie, that you can buy a volume of Shakespeare complete for \$1.98, and you can also buy those plays for a small fortune. The binding of the book will be better, the paper will be better, and there will probably be illustrations. In other words the trimmings will be better. But the plays will be the same. A million dollars in nickles and dimes wouldn't change them. A student can get just as much good out of the \$1.98 book as out of the expensive volume.

Again, I ses, so what.

It is the same way with a college education, he ses. Take this college for instance. It has all the necessary things for a Grade A education, but it does not go too strong for the trimmings. That is the reason the rates are so reasonable here. In other words it stresses the meat and potatoes of an education and goes light on the whipped cream and anchovies.

But some colleges go in more for the whipped cream and anchovies than they do for the meat and potatoes, I observed.

Yes, ses Willie, and their education can't help but being

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Father McShane Shows Grit In Following Mission Work

The Rev. Daniel McShane, an alumnus of St. Joseph's, is called the first martyr of the Maryknoll Fathers.

He studied on the campus from '04 until '09; was assigned to China in 1919, and died June 14, 1927, in his mission at Loting, Province of Kwangtung.

Death was brought on by smallpox which he contracted while baptizing a diseased baby. The young missionary was responsible for 2,483 infant baptisms.

Father McShane started orphanages at Loting and Lintan, where he cared for babies that had been abandoned because of famine, disease, or superstition. One such superstition is that if a Chinese girl is born in the fifth month, and is allowed to grow up in the family in which she is born, the father will come to an early death.

Suspicion stalked Father McShane. A whispering campaign

was started to the effect that he was plucking out children's eyeballs to make medicine. Agitators shouted, "Down with foreign imperialists," as they passed the mission.



Fr. McShane Troubles always came double for the Maryknoll priest. On the very day that owners of the Lintan Orphanage building were trying to break a five-year option, the mud-brick building at Loting collapsed.

The story of Ch'an A Yee is typical of the problems which confronted the young missionary:

A boy said, "Two women are at the gate to see Shan Foo (priest)." He added in a mysterious tone that the younger was a leper.

Father McShane went down to

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RALPH O'RILEY, JR.

The commission of Lieutenant is just a few weeks away for Ralph (Buck) O'Riley, '34-'35, who is putting finishing touches to his advanced flying training at Lake Field, Ariz. The son of Ralph O'Riley, known by generations of students as proprietor of a Rensselaer bakery, will be a pursuit flyer.

Gary Pays Tribute To Msgr. Jansen

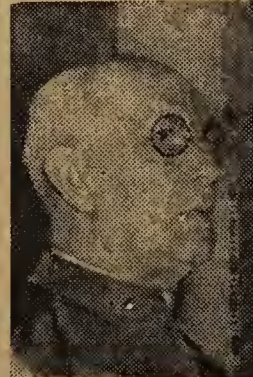
GARY, IND.—Although not an alumnus, the Rt. Rev. Msgr. T. F. Jansen, who was buried March 4, was always a close friend of St. Joseph's College.

The funeral for the pastor of Holy Angels Church was prob-

ably the largest in the Steel City's history. The church building would not accommodate the vast assemblage of parishners and other friends of the beloved priest who attended in the thousands.

More than 150 priests chanted the office of the dead, prior to the Mass.

Flags were at half-mast on the city hall and courthouse in honor of Father Jansen. Courts were closed so that judges and employees could attend the funeral.



Msgr. Jansen

Registrar Tells Of College Stand On Liberal Arts

FATHER LUCKS RATES B. A. AS IMPORTANT AS SCIENCE DEGREE

"No government can have a lasting life unless it is rooted in true philosophy; no peace can be satisfactory unless it is based on true philosophy," said the Rev. Dr. Henry Lucks, C.P.P.S., Dean of Studies, in explaining why St. Joseph's College will stress its Liberal Arts program more than ever during time of war.

"Our system of education is in danger, during these times, of becoming too technical. St. Joseph's will do its part to ward off the danger by striving to keep the Liberal Arts program on the same level it held before the war.

"Many educational institutions have long mistaken mere training for genuine education. They have been instructing men in applied science, before they have given them a foundation in pure science. They have been educating men to be specialists only.

"At St. Joseph's, we hold nothing against specialization. We encourage it. But we have always demanded that Religion, Philosophy, and a complete knowledge of the heritage of the English language must serve as a nucleus around which every course is built.

"If a man completely disregards Liberal Arts, he may yet make himself a specialist, but he will cheat himself out of a full, broad outlook. Whenever an educational institution shoves the Liberal Arts program from its curriculum, it begins to consider men, not as men, but as machines. It fails to teach him his duties to himself, to his fellow man, and to his God. It fails to impress on the student that he is a social being. If he is not con-

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What Is An Alumnus?

The alumnus has had a colorful history and a colored reputation. Twenty-five years ago he was considered quite a man, respected, admired, and envied. Fifteen years ago he was the chap who went to football games dressed in a raccoon coat, with a flask under one arm and a blonde under another. Eight years ago he may have walked the streets, looking for a job.

No matter how we think of him, we strongly suspect that he is the leadership of America, and mostly because of—and not in spite of—his college education. We suspect that he is the engineer, the doctor, the teacher, lawyer, dentist, scientist, musician, business executive, government official, artist, economist and military officer. We suspect that he is the most potent force in democracy.

We must not only assume that education is the hope of democracy, we must be firmly, but not blindly, convinced that this is a fact. The general public accepts the assumption, just as they are inclined to accept any platitude sufficiently and authoritatively circulated. The college alumnus dispassionately agreed with the proposition, but he has never considered himself as a living, substantial argument in its favor.

(From a talk delivered by George F. Heighway at a district meeting of the American Alumni Council).

Three candles go onto CONTACT'S birthday cake with this issue.

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Copies of the 1942 *Phase*, St. Joseph's College yearbook, will be limited to the student body, patrons and to any orders received before April 1. The price is \$4.

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According to a study made by *Time*, the average living graduate is 36 years old, four years younger than the national average. In comparison with the non-college man, he is more likely to be married, less likely to be divorced, is more likely to own his own home, is much more likely to be employed, and earns about twice as much income.

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All Fieldhouse Fund donations are income tax deductables.

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An early catalog had this to say about the Minims:

Special care is taken to imbue the Minims with habits of order and cleanliness. The better to insure this end, daily toilet and weekly baths are strictly obligatory; and the boys' dress and clothing must be neat and suitable.

Meet The Departments

Students can get a solid business foundation in St. Joseph's Department of Social Sciences.

The Department has three divisions—Economics, Accounting and History.

Under the department, young men are studying to be accountants, instructors, salesmen, civil service employees, and office workers of various kinds. Pre-legal and pre-social work are also functions of the department.

The Commerce Club, sponsored by the department, is probably the most active organization on the campus. It is divided into Economics and Accounting divisions. Each division meets separately twice a month and jointly once a month. At the joint meetings, attended by Rensselaer business men, a lecture is given by an outsider acquainted with some phase of commerce.

The main address at the annual banquet is delivered by a man prominent in the field of commerce. Senior members are given keys at the banquet, and a key is awarded to the Rensselaer business man who has shown most interest in the club during the year.

The annual field trip was made to Chicago, March 5. Forty members of the class went through the Board of Trade, the Northern Trust Bank, and the Stock Exchange.

In the way of social life, the club held two dances this year in conjunction with the young women of the College of St. Francis, Joliet, Ill.

The Rev. Frank Hehn, C.P.P.S., chairman of the Social Sciences group, has listed as members of the department the Revs. Dr. Joseph B. Kenkel, Frederick Fehrenbacher, Joseph Hiller, Bernard Scharf, Cletus Dirksen, Albert Gordon, and a layman, Richard Scharf.

FAMOUS LAST WORDS



"Please beat out one more message. Tell 'em my fieldhouse contribution is buried in the cellar."



Turn Back the Clock

THE FIRST CATALOGUE published by St. Joseph's makes mighty interesting reading. Father Augustine Seifert, rector, along with the Revs. Benedict Boebner, Paulinus Trost, Stanislaus Neiberg, Leopold Linder, and Joseph Sailer taught fifty-four students in the '91-'92 scholastic year.

INTERESTING SENTENCES in the catalogue: A striking feature of Jasper County is its healthy climate. . . . Parents are requested not to send any eatables to their sons. . . . Letters and papers will be handed to students on afternoons of Wednesdays and Saturdays only, unless it be some important matter. . . . Students will rise at 5:00 a. m.; at 8:30 p. m. they will recite their night prayers and retire. . . . Tuition is \$75 a semester. . . . A study period is held before breakfast.

EXPANSION is evident in the second catalogue. Eighty-five students are listed. The book records that the C. L. S. was founded October 12, 1892; that the Seifert Light Guards were organized in November of the same year, and that the postoffice was established May 9, 1893.

A PICTURE in the '94-'95 catalogue shows a white picket fence along the main road, a swampy lake in front of the administration building, and a few scrawny young trees scattered over the front campus.

RESOLVED, that Washington is more deserving of our esteem and gratitude than Lincoln, was the red hot debate presented at the Washington Birthday program, February 22, 1895. The affirmative was upheld by E. Mungovan and E. Vogel; the negative, F. Muinch and A. Weymann.

THE ST. PATRICK'S DAY program, the same year, featured a recitation, "Erin's Flag," by Bart Besinger. An oration, "Irish Patriotism," was delivered by T. M. Conroy.

IN THOSE DAYS, baseball rivalry raged between the Star and Crescent and the Eagles. The former was made up of secular; the latter of community students.

THE ENROLLMENT had jumped to 115 by the time the first commencement came along, June 15, 1896. The number went to 133 the following year.

THIS ABOUT THE MINIMS: To extend due care and impart proper training to boys of a comparatively tender age, a separate course, called the Minim Department, has been instituted.

The discipline of the Minims is much milder than that of the other students. They are governed by kindness and are ever taught to practice politeness and good manners. A main trait cherished in the Minims is love and reverence of their parents; hence they are required to write to their dear ones at least once a week.

Contact Continues Army News Roundup

Corp. Jerome Yocis, class of '40, is very much in evidence in a full page of pictures taken by the Chicago Daily News of members of the 38th Division, at Camp Shelby, Miss. He is in each of the six photos, reading a book, dancing, sipping a soda, etc. Pvt. Erwin Behrend, formerly a prefect on the campus, is in one of the pictures as head librarian of the 38th Division.

Pvt. Joseph Toth is working in the laboratory in the hospital at Dale Mabry Field, Tallahassee, Fla.

Claude Hisey is getting his basic training at Air Corps Technical School, Kessler Field, Miss.

Joseph Walter is in officers' candidate school at Camp Lee, Va. After three months of training, barring reverses, he will be commissioned as Second Lieutenant.

Henry F. Bucher, '26-'31, of Middletown, O., has made application in the Naval Reserves.

Vincent J. Shank, '34-'36, is stationed at Kessler Field, Miss.

First Sergeant Carl J. Harrison, '35-'37, is with the 139th Signal Radio Intelligence Co., MacDill Field, Tampa, Fla.

Frank Young, '26-'40, is at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo.

The Rev. Al Phillips, '27-'31, is a chaplain at Camp Shelby, Miss.

John (Maxie) McCarthy, '34-'38, of Lake Forest, Ill., will soon be sent to Glenview, Ill., for primary training with the United States Naval Aviation Reserve. Advanced training will be at Jacksonville, Pensacola, or Corpus Christi. He will then be commissioned as ensign and will be entitled to his Navy Wings.

Professor Writes For Columbia

The News That's Going 'Round is the title of the article by the Rev. Cletus Dirksen, C.P.P.S., '25-'26, in the March issue of *Columbia*.

After discussing the encyclical of Leo XIII, the professor of economics concludes: "Now, fifty years after 'Rerum Novarum,' it does not require the gift of prophecy to declare that the saving of civilization lies in the acceptance of the reconstruction of society in its economic life according to the Christian principles set forth in the Encyclicals."

Alumnus Buys Defense Bonds As Education Insurance



GERALD SHANK

FR. M'SHANE SHOWS GRIT IN MISSION WORK

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see his guests, and the boy's information was correct—old Mrs. Kwan had come to sell a leper-girl to the mission.

The old woman said, "This is Ch'an A Yee; two years ago she contracted leprosy, and was thrown out by her husband. Her own family refused to let her return to their village, and they told her to commit suicide. I met her on the roadside begging, and let her live in my shed. But my neighbors have threatened to kill us both, if I don't get rid of her. It has cost about sixty dollars to keep her for two years; so I'll sell her for that amount."

The girl said, "It is in the heel of my right foot, Shan-Foo. It is very sore only when the lichee trees are in bloom. Right now it is so painful. She lifted the bandaged foot; the priest could see the blood and corruption oozing through the cloth.

Father McShane had no place for lepers. He was in a quandry. But he did not send her away. He had her live alone in a small room. Her work was to wash the garments of the waifs.

Ch'an A Yee died several springtimes later when the lichee

WINAMAC, IND. — Gerald Shank is buying Defense Bonds which will mature about the time his six-year-old son, Gerald, Jr., is ready for St. Joseph College.

"Why not aid our country and at the same time provide for a well balanced education in a proven Catholic institution?" reasons the cashier of the First Union Bank and Trust Company.

"I have been thankful many times for the training that I received at Collegeville," said the man who was on the campus from '18-'20. "Every job that I have held since leaving school called for requirements that I obtained during my stay at St. Joseph's."

The Winamac alumnus began working the Monday after his graduation in a law and abstract office. He accepted a book-keeping position, in November, 1921, with the Union Bank and Trust Company. He became cashier in 1928. When that bank was merged with the First National Bank, in 1931, he was retained as cashier of the new institution. He still holds that position.

Mr. Shank became director, in January, 1942, of the Medaryville State Bank, Medaryville, Ind.

In his extra-curricular activities, he has been treasurer and director of the Pulaski County Chapter of the American Red Cross for more than eighteen years; he belongs to the Knights of Columbus and has served in practically all the offices of the Winamac Council; he has served as director and treasurer of the Winamac K. C. Home Association, since 1926, and has held offices in the Kiwanis Club.

trees were in bloom. Her friend, Father McShane, was already dead, and over his grave was a simple monument bearing this inscription:

Here lies Reverend Daniel Leo McShane, a Maryknoll priest who was born at Columbus, Indiana, in 1888. He was the first priest to be ordained for the Society. He reached China in 1919, and was founder of the Loting Mission. There, at the end, he was taken with a mortal sickness. A worthy model of the apostolic virtues, he fell asleep in God, June 4, 1927.

THE ROUNDUP

by



Coach Joe Dienhart

THANKS to you alumni of Cleveland and Youngstown who gave us such fine support when we played one night stands in your towns.

A NEW INDIVIDUAL RECORD for St. Joseph's was born when Bernie Hoffman crowded 36 points into the scorebook, as the Pumas outran Valparaiso, 82-58. He broke his own record of 31 points which he salted away, January 19, against Rider College, of Trenton, N. J.

HOFFMAN and Mauri Gutsell were named by Hoosier basketball coaches among the ten outstanding players in the Indiana Conference.

THE SEASON closed with 14 victories and 11 defeats.

THE BOXING team won three; lost two, and tied one. The Pumas defeated Valparaiso 4-2 on two occasions, and Illinois Tech 4-1. They lost to Illinois Tech 3-1 and to Purdue 4-3, and tied Purdue 3-3.

THE TWENTY-THREE game baseball schedule reads as follows:

March 30, 31 and April 1, at Purdue; April 2, 3, 4, at Indiana; April 8, DePauw; April 11, at Central Normal; April 13, Chicago Teachers; April 15, Illinois Wesleyan; April 18, at Wabash; April 21, Central Normal; April 23, Wabash; April 25, at Butler (double header); April 28, at Indiana State; May 5, at Earlham; May 7, at Chicago Teachers; May 9, Butler (double header); May 11, Indiana State; May 13, at Illinois Wesleyan; May 15, Manchester.

ELEVEN VETERANS who have reported for daily workouts in the fieldhouse are: William Gladen, Delphos, O., catcher; Mauri Gutsell, Jasper, Ind., pitcher; William Shine, Chicago, pitcher; John Boyle, Joliet, Ill., first; Robert Verpaele, Chicago, second; John Murphy, Farmer City, Ill., second; Donald Clark, Kankakee, short; Stan Lapsys, Chicago, third; Cornelius Vanderkolk, Lafayette, Ind., left field; Stan Wisniewski, Chicago, center field, and Anthony Ponzevic, Chicago, right field.

Nineteen Alumni Reach Ordination

CARTHAGENIA, O.—Nineteen members of the class of '36 were ordained priests in the Society of the Precious Blood, here, Sunday, March 8. They are:

The Revs. Roman R. Anderson, Robert J. Beckman, Alvin H. Burns, Benedict J. D'Angelo, William J. Frantz, Charles I. Froelich, Anthony V. Gamble, Thomas R. Growney, John E. Hoorman, Urban J. Hoying, Ambrose R. Lengerich, Robert J. Lux, Francis W. McCarthy, Stanley A. Meiring, Lawrence F. Mertes, Joseph A. Smolar, William P. Stack, Louis A. Telegdy, Edward S. Zukowski.

REGISTRAR DISCUSSED LIBERAL ARTS PROGRAM

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vinced of this, he will begin to think of himself as self-sufficient, and selfish and anti-social acts will follow. It may be difficult for any student to follow the principles of ethics, if he has scarcely heard of the word.

"If we allow our schools to go into a philosophical eclipse, we will be playing into the hands of the very powers we are fighting. If we become a nation of technologists, and technologists only, we will be starting down the barren road built by the isms we are opposing. The nations we oppose have too long been thinking of man, not as man, but as a machine.

"A true Liberal Arts education will break down a provincial point of view and will make a student a citizen of the world. The man who knows language, philosophy, history, literature, and sociological and economic thought of other nations will be better able to understand those nations than a man whose knowledge is confined to technical subjects. Understanding will play a big role in the making and keeping of a satisfactory peace.

"It is foolish to prepare for war, if we do not also prepare for the thing we are fighting for—peace. Technical students may be better fitted to wage a satisfactory war, but Liberal Arts students will be better fitted to design a satisfactory peace."

Norman (Bud) Bowman is at Sheppard Field, Wichita Falls, Texas.

TOUGH SLEDDIN'



REV. T. J. DANEHY, M. M.

It will be no bed of roses for the Rev. Thomas Danehy, '31-'33, and two other Maryknoll Fathers who will pioneer a mission in Bolivia, South America. The country in which they are to work is very wild. Their departure from Maryknoll Apostolic College, Clarks Summit, Pa., is scheduled for Easter Sunday.

Brother Dave marked his fortieth anniversary in the Community of the Precious Blood, Sunday, Feb. 8, by smoking two cigars that evening instead of his customary one. He has been on the campus forty-eight years.

TIFFIN, O.—Robert Sacksteder, class of '41, is employed as a cost accountant in the engineering department of E. B. Badger & Sons Co., an ordnance works plant.

Government Seeks College Alumni

WASHINGTON. — Thousands more of well-educated, well-trained men and women are needed in the Civil Service to take care of the nation's business in the emergency, said Earl Goodwin, dean of White House Press Correspondents, in asking college alumni to offer their experience and training for use in professional, scientific, or administrative work.

College training is a prerequisite, or at least a big asset, for many of these positions. Dozens of examinations are open continuously. Applicants in many cases only have to file the proper application forms and name the examination they are applying for.

More Alumni Join Chaplains Ranks

BULLETIN:

The Rev. Stephen Tatar is to report, March 21, at Camp Eustice, Va.

Two members of the Society of the Precious Blood have recently been commissioned Second Lieutenants; four others await their appointments.

The Rev. Clement Falter, C.P.P.S., honorary alumnus, is at Fort Monmouth, N. J.

The Rev. Karl Wuest, C.P.P.S., will go to Camp Croft, Spartansburg, S. C.

Awaiting call are the Revs. Robert Baird, '25-'26; Walter Junk, '25-'30; Stephen Tatar, '26-'31, and Vincent Mallifskes, '27-'32.

When writing of chaplains in Bataan, the Feb. 13, 1942, issue of *Time* reported this about a young priest in the Society of the Precious Blood:

"Catholic Chaplain John A. Wilson had a narrow squeak, when he saw men waving their arms, he stopped his car, jumped out. Wilson hit a ditch, saw dive-bombers a few seconds later score nearly a direct hit, demolishing his car.

WILLIE SES TRIMMIN'S UP EDUCATION RATES

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anemic. And it seems that crystal ballrooms, and polo ponies, and ballet dancing lessons cost a silo full of shekels.

But of course, I ses, if a fellow can spare the change, and prefers the trimmings to the solid stuff, it is all up to him.

Correct, ses Willie, but any fellow who feels that way about life has two strikes on him to start with.

Ice Group Names Scheidler Leader

Charles F. Scheidler, of Greensburg, Ind., newly-elected president of the Indiana Association of Ice Industries, heads the new executive committee and the board of directors of the association as one of the youngest presidents in the history of the organization.

He attended St. Joseph's from '28 until '34. He has been active in affairs of the association since he succeeded his father in business at Greensburg. He is considered a "live-wire" among the Hoosier ice-men.

BEECH GROVE, Ind.—Joseph Kennedy, class of '40, works in a shoe store and as a draftsman for a real estate company, here.

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